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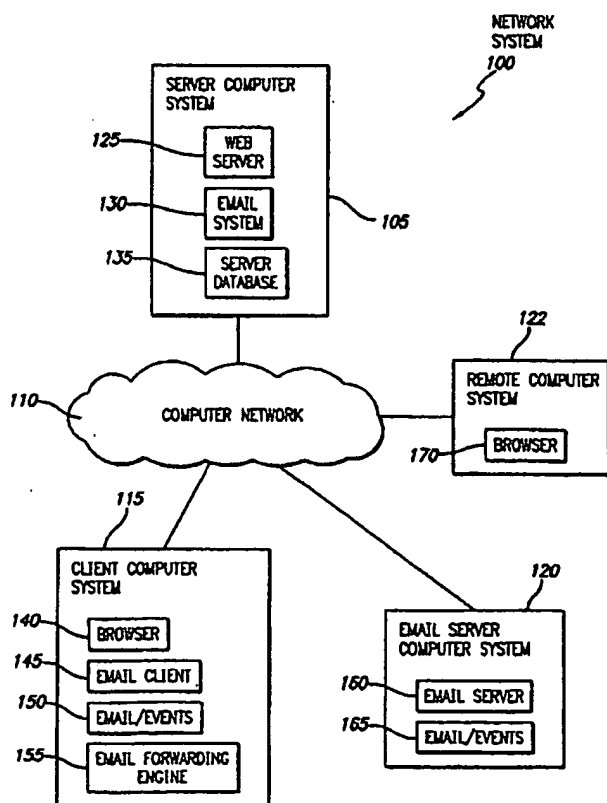
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(54) Title: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR AUTOMATICALLY FORWARDING EMAIL AND EMAIL EVENTS VIA A COMPUTER NETWORK TO A SERVER COMPUTER



(57) Abstract: A network system includes a server computer system coupled via a computer network to a client computer system, to an email computer system, and to a remote computer system. The server computer system downloads an email forwarding engine to the client computer system for enabling the email forwarding functionality on the client computer system. On the client computer system, the email forwarding engine examines start criteria, determines whether the start criteria have been met, obtains new email and/or email events from an email database, and forwards the new email and/or email events to the server computer system. The server computer system maintains them in a database. The email forwarding engine includes a filter for examining the email and/or email events against filter control data to determine the data to transfer and the desired transfer protocols. The server computer system stores an independently modifiable copy of user preferences, e.g., start criteria, stored on the client computer system to enable remote modification of the user preferences. In accordance with a configuration-check schedule, the client computer system determines whether any changes to the independently modifiable copy of the user preferences have been made, and if so modifies its copy of the user preferences.